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Vito A. Canuso III, Reg. No. 35,471

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

- (X) Response to Office Action in 4 pages.
- (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

FEE CALCULATION									
FEE TYPE						FEE CODE	CALCULA	TION	TOTAL
Total Claims	20	-	22	=	0	2202 (\$9)	0 x 9) =	\$0
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Multiple Claim						2203 (\$145)		•	\$
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 6, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 6, 2004, Applicants submit the following response, of which:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.